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In re application of:

A. J. PAUL CAREW, ET AL.

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING VOICE SIGNALS TO AND FROM A TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of this continuation application of Application Serial No. 09/356,250 filed July 16, 1999, by A. J. Paul Carew, Ronald D. Lutz, Jr., and Brendon W. Mills, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Providing Voice Signals to and from a Telecommunications Switch," please amend the application as follows: